

Maine Dressage Society

Minutes draft

Tuesday, September 20, 2011

Call To Order by President Bryn Walsh at 6:35

Secretary's Report – Cheryl Peaslee

Minutes from April 2011 meeting Pat Martin had one correction” She did not create the letter. USDF had a program she followed” Becky Clark motion Carol Poulin -Taylor 2nd as read with corrections.

Treasurer's Report – Tammi Brown see attached sheets.

Membership Report – Tammi Brown 278 primary members/ 30 support members. Becky Clark motion to except as read. Pat Martin 2nd.
Vote unanimous.

Committee Reports

Bylaws (Beth, Carol, Cheryl, Bryn) The committee has not done anything to date. There was a brief discussion to put an electronic copy on the MDS web site. Bryn said she would do that.

Newsletter Cheryl Peaslee reported that all is going well.

Website Bryn Walsh reported that the treasure paid the host fee. Question about having two people help with web and Bryn Walsh does have help from Becky Clark. So send your info for the web site to Puckerbrush Farm or Bryn to be posted.

Omnibus Becky Clark has send out a notice by e-mail setting dates and times. Questions arose about advertisements from last year. Have all ads been paid for? And who has been contacted to advertize in this years Omnibus this year, so we do not ask the same business twice. Carol Poulin-Taylor wanted a way to see the show dates so we do not end up with “3 shows on one date.” So they will create a side bar so we can see the date before the final draft goes to print.

Education Bobby Murray was not here.

“L” Program Becky Clark, Applications on MDS web site with the rest of the information. It is also on the USDF web site. The opening date is set for October 1st. There is a limit of 10. MDS does subsidize the price, we do not expect to make money on this part of the ‘L’ program.

MDS gave a scholarship to Ali Perkins and her thank you letter is in the MDS #71 news letter. Pat Martin is updating the High school sports award. She has info from USDF and will be going to a local school to find out how it works. Will update the Board at the next meeting

Banquet Beth Brainerd is all set to go.

Public Relations Gretchen Shantar has requested a replacement, Susan Pendleton has volunteered to replace Gretchen and anyone else wishing to help Susan with this position, please contact Bryn Walsh.

New Business

USDF Convention and proxy to be held San Diego, **a lady from ? Alain Donagan** has a proxy and wants to send her proxy. The convention will be more expensive this year. Bryn would like to go but needs funding to go. Could MDS fund \$2000.00 of it so someone can go? It should be someone from the Board. MDS is willing to contribute \$500.00 towards going to the convention. Anyone wanting to go to this years convention, please contact Bryn.

Membership Forms- \$27 MDS fee. The rest goes to USDF. Cheryl Peaslee will forward all the club forms to be put on the MDS web site to Bryn.

Elections of MDS Board position to start January 2012 meeting Vice President is up for election, with Gretchen Shantar stepping down. Tammi Brown will stay on as treasure. Secretary is open as Cheryl Peaslee wants to step down

All voted for a new slate of officers as fallows; Bryn Walsh as President. Vice President is Beth Brainerd. Tammi Brown as Treasurer/Membership. Michelle Zambrano as Secretary/Newsletter. A motion was made by Becky Clark to except the slate of officers for 2012 & 2013 with a 2nd by Elizabeth Owens.

At large Bobby Murray was voted out of this position, with Becky Clark, Tammi Brown and Paula Foote as our new At Large Members

Next Meetings Proposed: Sunday, January 29, 2012 @10am @ the Senator Inn in Augusta.

Ajourn 7:30 Michelle Zambrano motion Pat Martin 2nd